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THE SHOW ROOM of the York-Parkhurst Company, at 1818 Fourteenth street northwest. This company is showing attractive models of the Anderson Six and Paige motor cars.



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NEW ADJUSTMENT PLAN

An entirely new tire adjustment policy has been inaugurated by the Rudnick-Williams Tire Company, well-known distributors for Erie Cord, Mac-Graw Fabric and Cord Tires and Gates Half-Sole Tires. Twelfth street and Pennsylvania avenue northwest. For many years tire guarantees have been more or less unsatisfactory in that the guarantee was carried out usually on an adjustment basis, the tire falling in service being exchanged for a new tire and given credit for the unearned mileage.

Rudnick-Williams Tire Company are not discontinuing this policy, but are going one better and where the customer does not want to accept this basis have established the policy of refunding in cash to the tire user the original cost per mile on all undelivered mileage.

Another unusual service feature in-

augured by this concern is free repairs on all new tires sold by them, within the mileage guarantee limit. The free repair service covers damage to tires sold by them either through natural wear or by accident.

SEEK ROAD MATERIAL
"EASY" ON AUTO TIRES

The Asphalt Association in co-operation with other interests is contemplating testing road surfaces in an effort to discover the type of road which will cause the least amount of wear on automobile tires and reduce the present \$1,000,000,000 annual tire bill.

An average annual outlay of \$125 by every one of 8,000,000 owners of automobiles and trucks for 32,000,000 tires makes a total cost for tires \$1,000,000,000.

This is far in excess of the amount of money expended on highways each year, and if annually a saving of 10 per cent could be effected, it would result in a sum which capitalized at 5 per cent would equal \$2,000,000,000.

BANS CAR; WANTS TRACTOR.

In spite of the fact that Bermuda prohibits the use of automobiles, it has been decided to permit the importation of small tractors because of the prohibitive cost of horse power on farms there.

Because of a decree issued by former President Carranza, no duty is charged by the government on passenger automobiles and trucks imported into Mexico.

WANT SPECIAL SESSION.

The Louisville Automobile Club has petitioned Gov. Edwin P. Morrow, of Kentucky, to call a special session of the legislature to authorize a bond issue of at least \$50,000,000 for financing construction of 3,000 miles of road as outlined by the last session of the general assembly.

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By J. H. YEOMANS.

That the use of the automobile horn at the proper time will prevent a material percentage of traffic accidents is an established fact. It has been forcibly proven that a great majority of Washington motorists do not use it at the proper time to warn pedestrians and other drivers.

When automobiles first came into use it was considered proper to use the horn as a warning signal and at such a time as to enable those for whom it was intended to heed the warning and avoid accidents. Since the use of the motor car has become general the use of the horn has apparently become **UNPOPULAR**, particularly in Washington. The use of a horn which may be heard at some distance and is considered a nuisance by the District authorities is prohibited and in a sense such prohibition is proper, yet in view of the great number of serious accidents due to a lack of proper use of the horn it would be infinitely better to allow the use of sirens and other peace-disturbing signals than to have the public suffer through lack of warning. The automobile is capable of inflicting great damage and every precaution should be taken to prevent accidents. Common sense exercised in the use of a warning of the approach of a ton of metal upon the public highways will prevent accidents. The District authorities insist that the mechanism of the warning signal be upon the car, but they do not regulate or make compulsory the exercising of common sense in its operation.

Navigators of ships are compelled to use their whistles at stated times and in a manner fixed by law, even though they are operating upon hundreds of square miles of open water, yet upon crowded streets and poorly lighted streets the use of the automobile horn is not compelled or regulated by law. It seems strange that the manner of parking a car is so definitely fixed while the use of the horn, a warning vital to the safety of the public, is left entirely to the choice of the driver.

Autoists who drive right suffer with pedestrians from the non-use or improper use of the horn by drivers who either do not know how or do not care to drive right. It has been proven conclusively that a great many drivers consider the use of the horn unattractive and depend entirely upon their manipulation of the car to prevent accidents. Such an attitude is **CRIMINALLY SELFISH**, and such drivers should be taught the humane side of motoring—the other fellow deserves a warning signal; the authorities should see that he gets it **ALWAYS—AND AT THE PROPER TIME.**

SCARCITY OF GOOD CARS
PREDICTED BY DEALER

"Good automobiles are going to be mighty scarce next spring," says H. B. Leary, Jr., local Maxwell-Chalmers dealer. "And those who are holding off for lower prices will probably be disappointed."

"Previous to the war, growing production and growing demand kept

pace with each other. The war cut down production, but demand went on unhindered.

"Thus, production today has fallen far behind, leaving a demand for nearly 2,000,000 cars unfulfilled. "Indications point to a heavy spring demand for cars. When that demand comes, it will be months before production can reach full swing again. "At that time many prospective buyers are going to meet disappointment."

C. E. GLASSER & CO.
BANQUET EMPLOYEES

Force at Washington Office
Honored for Success in
Prize Competition.

Eighty-two persons sat at a banquet table last night in the Franklin Square Hotel when Charles E. Glasser & Co., Inc., of New York city, tendered a banquet to the salesmen and wives connected with their Washington office.

The banquet was won by the Washington office force in competition with all the other offices of the Glasser organization located in a dozen Eastern cities by producing the most business in a contest recently closed. The Washington office has also won the president's loving cup twice in succession.

A special feature of the program last night was the announcement of the opening of three new Washington stores owned and operated by the United Auto Stores, Inc., of Philadelphia, which concern is now operating thirty-five chain stores in the tire and accessory line. The Washington stores are to be opened January. The Glasser security organization is financing the United Auto Stores, which are rapidly locating throughout the States of Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, and the District of Columbia.

The Glasser Company was represented at the Washington banquet last night by New York officials as follows: Charles E. Glasser, president; R. R. Sidebotham, vice president in charge of sales; Warren De Witt, vice president; J. E. O'Brien, secretary and treasurer; T. F. O'Brien, director. The United Auto Stores officials from Philadelphia at the banquet consisted of F. B. P. Carrier, president; A. N. Kimmey, vice president; C. T. Stackhouse, vice president; E. R. Sues, assistant to the president. Promotions of T. T. Golden, of Washington, to manager of Pittsburgh; F. E. Ketchum, of Washington, to manager of Washington, and P. E. Tracy, of Washington, to assistant director of sales.

TO TEACH ROAD ENGINEERS.

Because there is available \$500,000,000 for highway construction throughout the United States, a short course in highway engineering is to be arranged at the University of Pennsylvania. The course is for men who have had experience in highway construction and who desire to become acquainted with the latest methods in design and construction, and the testing of materials.

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